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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE VISIT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY SOLOMON

- SECRET ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. THE SECRETARY IS OFFERING TO SEND DICK SOLOMON TO BEIJING TO BRIEF THE CHINESE ON ALL ASPECTS OF THE SECRETARY'S RECENT TRIP. DICK IS NOW WAITING IN MOSCOW FOR OFFICIAL CHINESE CONCURRENCE TO HIS VISIT. EAP/CM CONVEYED THE SECRETARY'S OFFER TO CHINESE MINISTER ZHAD XIXIN AT NOON WASHINGTON TIME, AUGUST 3. ZHAO SAID HE HOULD CABLE BEIJING IMMEDIATELY FOR AN OFFICIAL RESPONSE.
- WHILE IN BEIJING, SOLOMON WILL ALSO ENGAGE THE CHINESE ON IRAQ. TALKERS ON THE PERSIAN GULF SITUATION WILL BE SENT TO YOU FOR DICK'S USE.

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ASSUMING THE CHINESE CONCUR IN HIS VISIT, DICK SOLOMON

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ALSO REQUESTS THEY BE ASKED TO AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF AN
AIRPORT VISA THAT CAN BE PLACED IN HIS PASSPORT ON ARRIVAL
IN BEIJING IN CASE HE IS NOT ABLE TO ARRANGE FOR A
CHINESE VISA IN MOSCOW PRIOR TO DEPARTURE, EAGLEBURGER

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